

2021 Kansas Statutes

60-4111. Claims. (a) Only an owner of or interest holder in property seized for forfeiture may file a claim, and shall do so in the manner provided in this section. The claim shall be mailed to the seizing agency and to the plaintiff's attorney by certified mail, return receipt requested, within 60 days after the effective date of notice of pending forfeiture.

(b) The claim shall be signed by the claimant under penalty of perjury, K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 21-5903, and amendments thereto, and shall set forth the following:

(1) The caption of the proceedings and identifying number, if any, as set forth on the notice of pending forfeiture or complaint, the name of the claimant, and the name of the plaintiff's attorney who authorized the notice of pending forfeiture or complaint;

(2) the address where the claimant will accept mail;

(3) the nature and extent of the claimant's interest in the property; and

(4) a detailed description of when and how the claimant obtained an interest in the property.

(c) Substantial compliance with subsection (b) shall be deemed sufficient.

(d) It is permissible to assert the right against self-incrimination in a claim. If a claimant asserts the right, the court, in the court's discretion, may draw an adverse inference from the assertion against the claimant. The adverse inference shall not, by itself, be the basis of a judgment against the claimant.

History: L. 1994, ch. 339, § 11; L. 2011, ch. 30, § 225; L. 2018, ch. 26, § 8; July 1.